

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Canceled)
2. (Currently Amended) A method for forming an adhesive layer, ~~which is characterized in that~~ comprising:

putting an adhesive layer formation ~~medium~~ media coated with an adhesive material materials and a at least one workpiece ~~are put~~ into a container;

vibrating or stirring in the container ~~and an adhesive layer is formed on the workpiece by vibrating the adhesive layer formation medium media or and the at least one workpiece, or by stirring the adhesive layer formation medium and the workpiece so that the adhesive layer formation media and the at least one workpiece collide with each other, thereby forming an adhesive layer on the surface of the workpiece.~~

3. (Currently Amended) The method for forming an adhesive layer according to claim 1 2, ~~which is characterized in that~~ further comprising forming the adhesive layer ~~is formed~~ on a surface of the at least one workpiece having little or no adhesive material applied to it.

4. (Currently Amended) The method for forming an adhesive layer according to claim 1 2, ~~which is characterized in that~~ further comprising forming an adhesive layer on the adhesive layer formation media, the thickness of the adhesive layer ~~formed on the adhesive layer formation medium is being~~ maintained within a specific range so that the adhesive layer to be formed on the at least one workpiece has a uniform thickness.

5. (Currently Amended) The method for forming an adhesive layer according to claim 1 2, ~~which is characterized in that~~ wherein the adhesive material contains a liquid material.

6. (Currently Amended) The method for forming an adhesive layer according to claim 5, ~~which is characterized in that~~ wherein the adhesive material contains a liquid resin.

7. (Currently Amended) The method for forming an adhesive layer according to claim 6, ~~which is characterized in that~~ wherein the liquid resin contains a curing agent.

8. (Currently Amended) The method for forming an adhesive layer according to claim 1 ~~2~~, ~~which is characterized in that~~ wherein the adhesive material contains spacer particles.

9. (Currently Amended) The method for forming an adhesive layer according to claim 1 ~~2~~, ~~which is characterized in that~~ wherein the adhesive material consists of a substantially non-volatile material.

10. (Currently Amended) ~~A powder-coating~~ The method, which is characterized in that a powder coating is formed on a surface of a workpiece by applying fine particles of powder to an adhesive layer formed on the surface of the workpiece by one of the above described methods for forming an adhesive layer of claim 1, further comprising:

putting the at least one workpiece with the adhesive layer, particles of powder, and powder-coating media into a container; and

vibrating the at least one workpiece with the adhesive layer, particles of powder, and powder-coating media in the container.

11. (Currently Amended) The powder-coating method according to claim 10, ~~which is characterized in that~~ wherein the adhesive material contains spacer particles, which consist of particles of the powder.